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SUBJECT: AMBASSADOR'S ARRIVAL IN PARIS: PRESS ARRANGEMENTS

EUR/ WE FOR AMBASSADOR IRWIN

PARIS 6246

1. TEXT OF PRESS RELEASE EMBASSY WISHES TO ISSUE MARCH 18 IS AS FOLLOWS: MAY WE HAVE YOUR CONCURRENCE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.
2. BEGIN TEXT: U. S. AMBASSADOR JOHN N. IRWIN ARRIVES IN FRANCE.

PARIS-- JOHN N. IRWIN II, THE NEW UNITED STATES AMBASSADOR TO FRANCE, ARRIVED IN PARIS MARCH 18 TO ASSUME HIS POST AND SAID, IN AN AIRPORT STATEMENT, THAT THE FURTHERING OF COOPERATION BETWEEN FRANCE AND THE U. S. " LIES AT THE VERY HEART" OF HIS ASSIGNMENT.

3. THE NEW AMERICAN ENVOY, ACCOMPANIED BY HIS DAUGHTER JANE AND HIS SON JOHN, WAS MET BY REPRESENTATIVES OF THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT, AND BY OFFICIALS OF THE AMERICAN EMBASSY IN PARIS.

4. IN HIS AIRPORT REMARKS, AMBASSADOR IRWIN SAID THE " SIGNAL HONOR" HE FEELS IN COMING TO FRANCE DERIVES FROM THE " CENTRAL IMPORTANCE THE UNITED STATES ATTACHES TO FRANCO- AMERICAN COOPERATION IN A YEAR WHICH WILL BE SO TELLING FOR THE EVOLUTION OF RELATIONS BETWEEN AMERICA AND EUROPE."

5. MR. IRWIN, TO, SERVED AS UNDER SECRETARY ( LATER DEPUTY SECRETARY) OF STATE FROM SEPTEMBER, 1970 TO JANUARY, 1973. PRIOR  
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THERETO, HE HAD BEEN A PARTNER IN THE LAW FIRM OF PATTERSON, BELKNAP & WEBB IN NEW YORK CITY. DURING THE EISENHOWER ADMINISTRATION, FROM 1957 TO 1961, MR. IRWIN SERVED AS DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY AND THEN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR INTERNATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS. IN 1965 HE WAS APPOINTED BY PRESIDENT JOHNSON AS ONE OF THE U. S. REPRESENTATIVES IN NEGOTIATIONS FOR A NEW PANAMA CANAL TREATY, A CAPACITY IN WHICH HE SERVED FOR TWO YEARS. IN 1969, PRESIDENT NIXON SENT MR. IRWIN AS A SPECIAL PRESIDENTIAL ENVOY TO PERU IN THE DISPUTE OVER PERU'S SEIZURE OF U. S.- OWNED OIL PROPERTIES.

6. THE COMPLETE TEXT OF HIS ARRIVAL STATEMENT FOLLOWS: ( THIS WAS TRANSMITTED IN REFTEL.) END TEXT.  
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